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In re U.S. Patent Application

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**For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR ASSEMBLING
NUCLEIC ACID BASE SEQUENCES**

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Art Unit 1631

Examiner

Mahatan, Channing

**Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

COVER LETTER

Sir:

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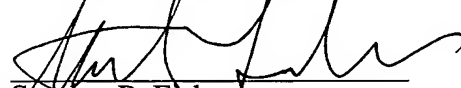
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 7, 2004, the period for response to which expires on December 7, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: